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Hector continues his attack on H.I.V.E.
as Superman faces warriors from
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PLUS!
**THE WORLD OF
HRYPTON!**

SUICIDE SLUM.

ONE YEAR AGO.



LOOK!
EVERYONE'S
EVACUATING.
WE'D
BETTER GO,
TOO.

NOT SO
FAST...

METRO
FIRE DEPT
HAZARDOUS

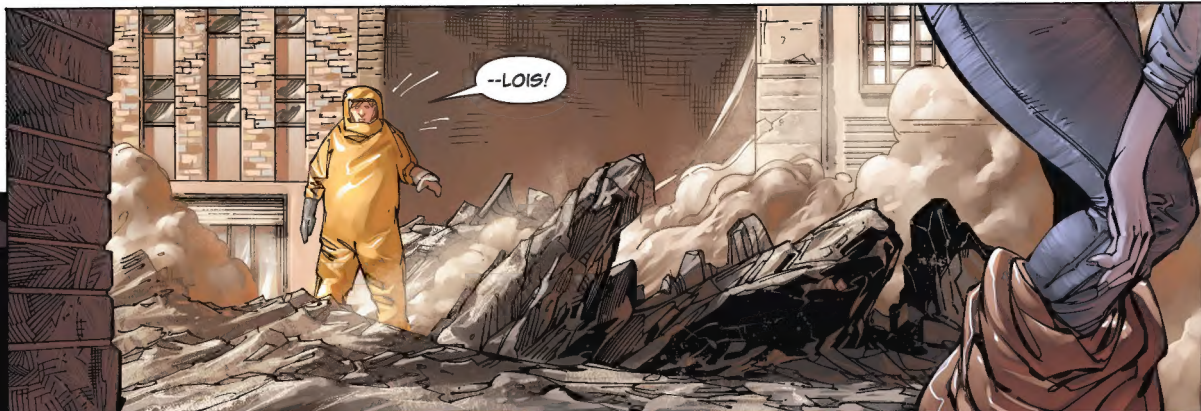


...JIMMY
OLSEN.

THEIR OWN
READINGS INDICATE
NO CONTAGIONS.
NOW C'MON! WE'RE
NOT GOING TO LET A
LITTLE PARANOIA
RUIN OUR SCOOP!

BUT--

--LOIS!



WHAT AM I
SUPPOSED
TO DO?

STOP
ASKING
QUESTIONS
AND FOLLOW
MY LEAD.

NOW,
GET YOUR BUTT
DOWN HERE! WE'RE
CHASING THAT
MONSTER!





I'VE GOT TO STEER THIS HYBRID AWAY FROM THE BUSY STREETS. CAN'T OVERPOWER IT--I'M STILL TOO WEAK...AND IT'S GAINING STRENGTH!

I HAVE TO GET THE UPPER HAND. SOMETHING DR. VERITAS SAID BACK AT THE LAB...

THOOM

...ABOUT THE ORGANISM NEEDING OXYGEN IN ORDER TO THRIVE.

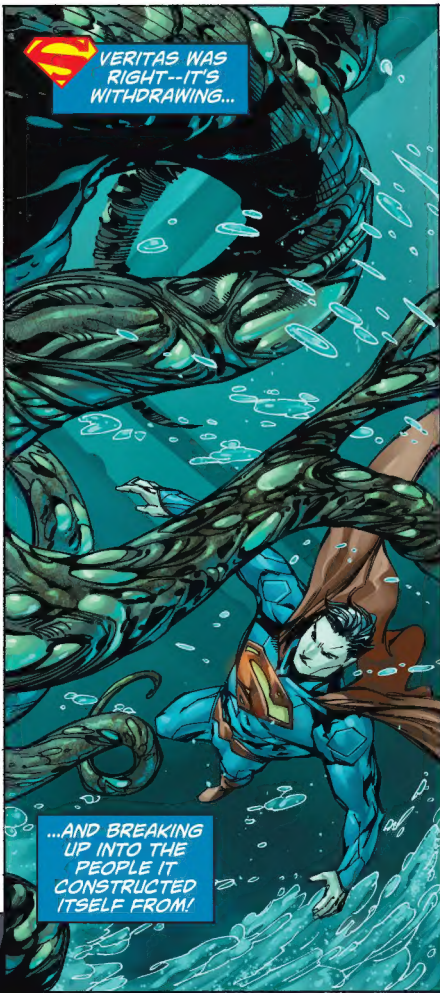
I KNOW JUST THE PLACE TO FIX THAT.

BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM

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ACTION COMICS **HYBRID** PART 3
MORE THAN HUMAN

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NO!
YOU'RE ANOTHER
HALLUCINATION. A
SIDE EFFECT FROM
MY EXPOSURE TO
YOUR D.N.A.*

MY MIND
WON'T LET
YOU INVADE
IT!

ZHUFF

*THE FIRST ONE WAS
JIMMY IN ISSUE #19 --ED.



DR.
VERTITAS?
YOU'RE
NOT REAL,
EITHER...

CALM DOWN,
SUPERMAN.

I AM NOT A
HALLUCINATION. I
AM COMMUNICATING
WITH YOU VIA HOLO-
GRAPHIC RADIO
TRANSMISSION.

LISTEN
CLOSELY IF
YOU WANT TO
SURVIVE.

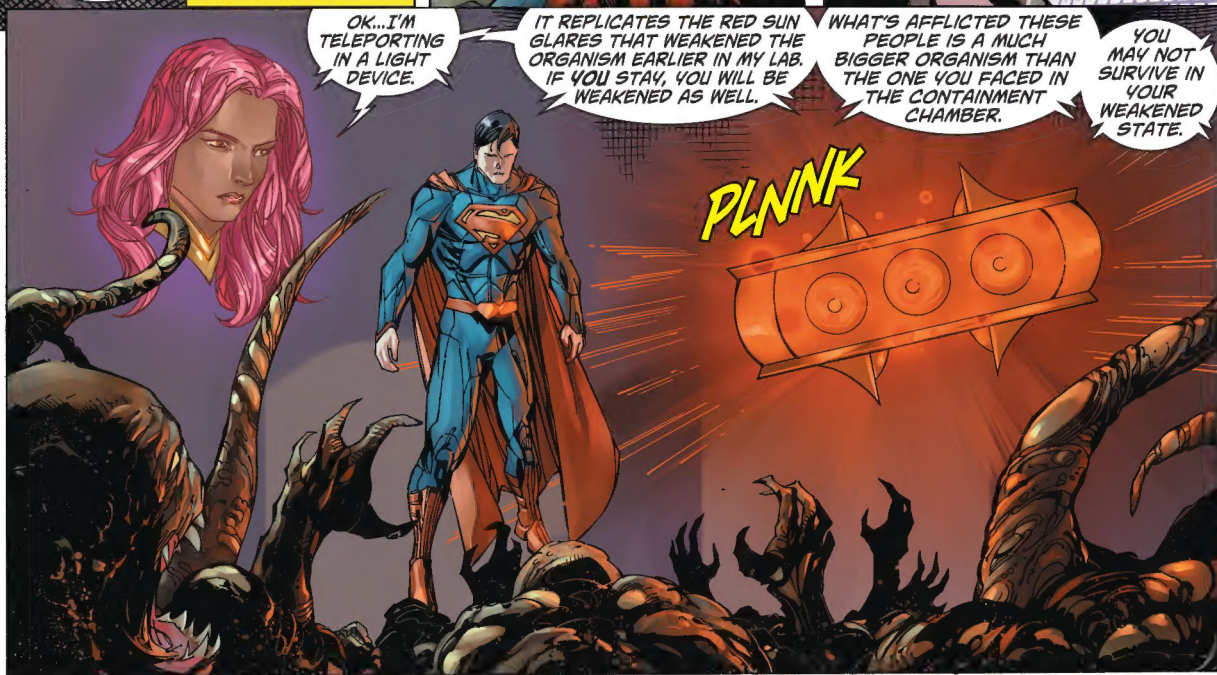


I'VE BEEN HAVING TROUBLE LOCKING
ONTO YOUR LOCATION SINCE YOU ARRIVED
IN METROPOLIS. WHETHER IT'S THE HYBRID
JAMMING RADIO SIGNALS OR SOMETHING
ELSE, WE MUST ACT **SWIFTLY**. I'M
TELEPORTING YOU OUT OF--

NO. I CAN'T
LEAVE NOW. I'M
BREAKING DOWN
ITS CONTROL
OVER THESE
PEOPLE.

THEN
LET ME
FINISH
IT.

YOU'RE
NOT USED TO
WORKING WITH
SOMEONE.
ARE YOU?



OK...I'M
TELEPORTING
IN A LIGHT
DEVICE.

IT REPLICATES THE RED SUN
GLARES THAT WEAKENED THE
ORGANISM EARLIER IN MY LAB.
IF YOU STAY, YOU WILL BE
WEAKENED AS WELL.

WHAT'S AFFLICTED THESE
PEOPLE IS A MUCH
BIGGER ORGANISM THAN
THE ONE YOU FACED IN
THE CONTAINMENT
CHAMBER.

YOU
MAY NOT
SURVIVE IN
YOUR
WEAKENED
STATE.

PLNNK

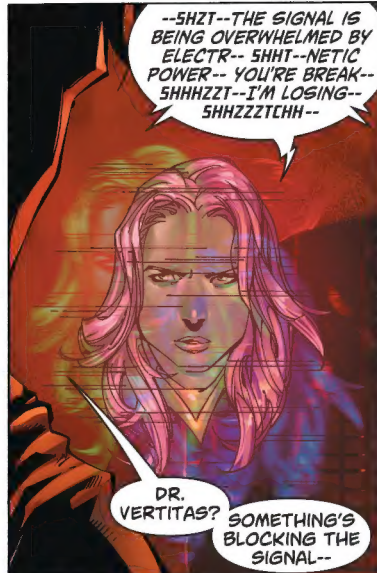


I STAY HERE
UNTIL THE JOB
IS DONE.

SUPERMAN,
THE LIGHTS
WILL ACTIVATE
IN MOMENTS.
LIKE IT OR
NOT, I'M--



I'M THE ONLY HOPE FOR
THESE PEOPLE. WHAT IF
THE RED SUNLIGHT DOES
MORE THAN DEFEAT THE
HYBRID? WHAT IF IT--



--SHZT--THE SIGNAL IS
BEING OVERWHELMED BY
ELECTR-- SHHT--NETIC
POWER-- YOU'RE BREAK--
SHHHZZT--I'M LOSING--
SHHHZZTCHH--

DR.
VERTITAS?

SOMETHING'S
BLOCKING THE
SIGNAL--



...OR
SOMEONE...

ZZZZZKKAAAATT

ARGHH!

BAH-DOOM



PRETTY CLEVER, KRYPTONIAN. LURING THE BEAST INTO A MORE EVEN PLAYING FIELD.

BUT IT'S TOO LATE. THE CITIZENS OF METROPOLIS HAVE ALREADY EXPERIENCED THE KIND OF DANGER YOU BRING TO THEM.



YOU ARE A SCOURGE ON THIS PLANET. YOUR KIND IS NOT WELCOME HERE.

I WILL SHOW YOU THE WAY OFF.

SSHIF

SSHIF

SSHIF

BOOM

BOOM

BOOM



THAT BRIGHT RED LIGHT! AND THE EXPLOSIONS-- IT'S GOT TO BE SUPERMAN!

WHEN I SEE FLASHING LIGHTS AND EXPLOSIONS, I RUN THE OPPOSITE WAY!



I THOUGHT YOU TRUSTED ME.

LOIS, OF-- OF COURSE I DO, BUT--!



I HAVE TO ADMIT, I'M MILDLY DISAPPOINTED. I DON'T SEE WHAT'S SO SUPER ABOUT YOU.

KROOOM



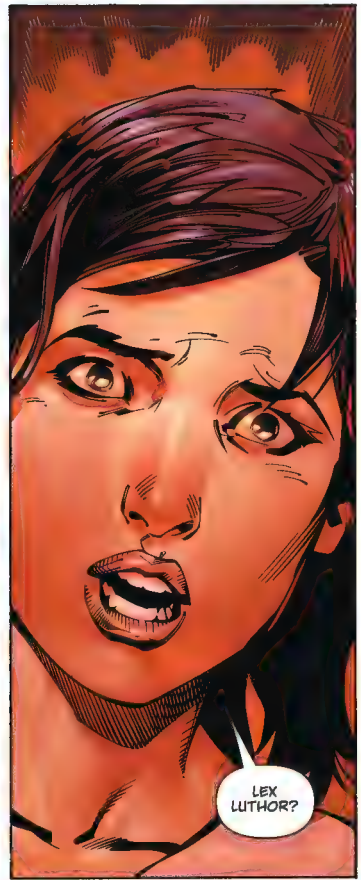
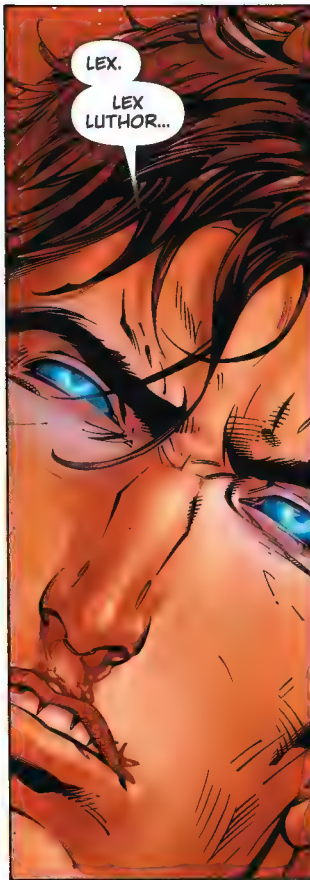
SHOW ME, WHAT'S THAT BLEEDING FROM YOUR EYES? RED FLARES? A CRY FOR HELP? OR DID YOU JUST TRY TO ZAP ME WITH SOME SORT OF OPTICAL RAY BLAST?

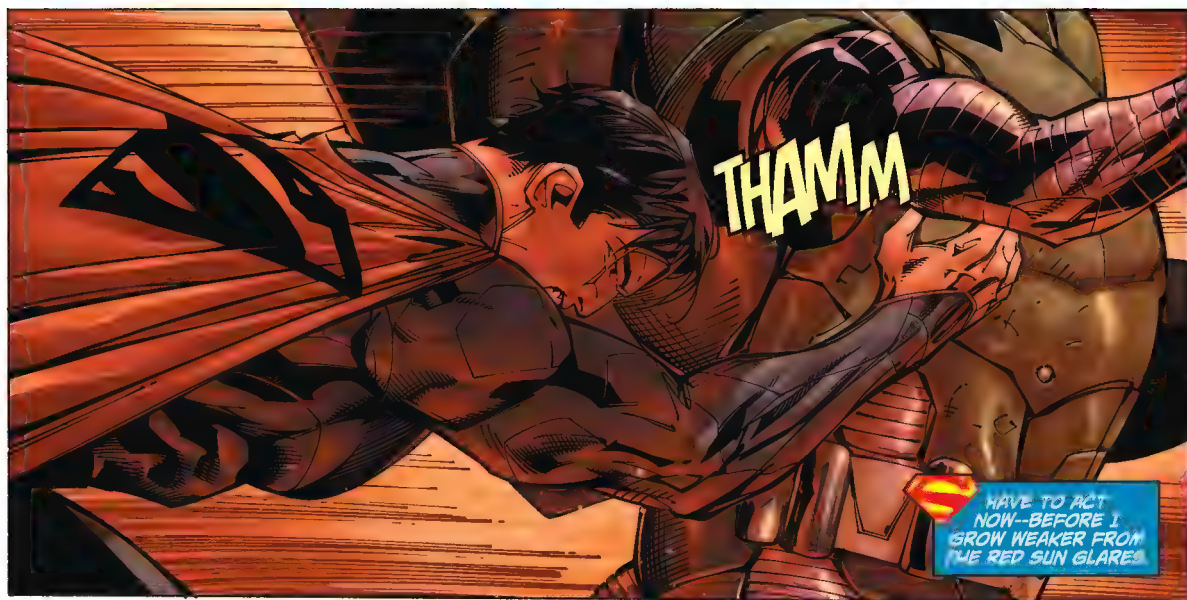
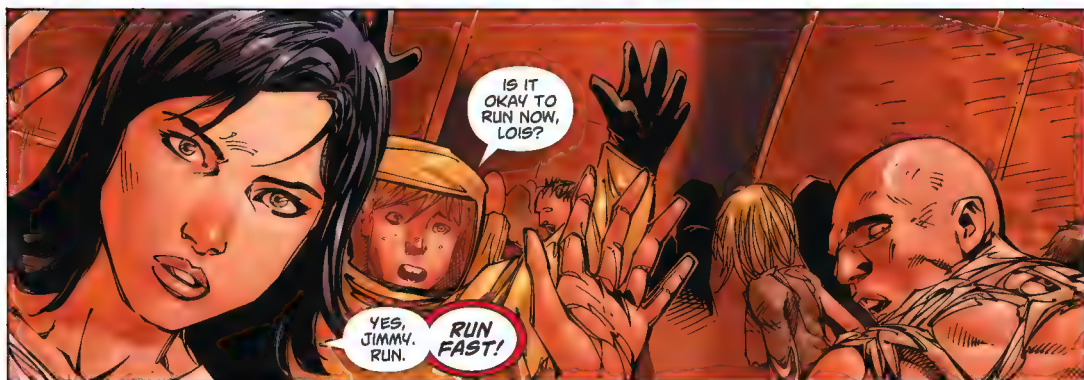
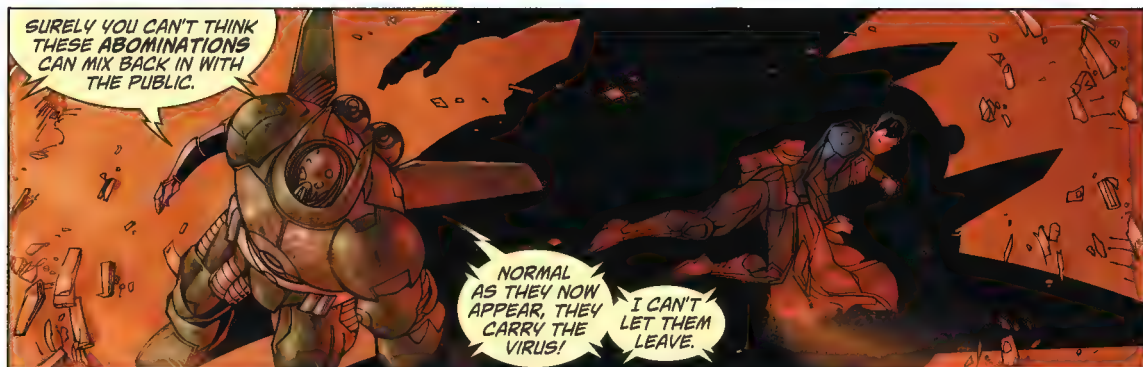


PATHETIC! DO YOU KNOW HOW EASILY I CAN SLICE YOU IN HALF WITH THIS SIMPLE FORCE SHIELD BLADE?

WHO ARE YOU?

WHO AM I?



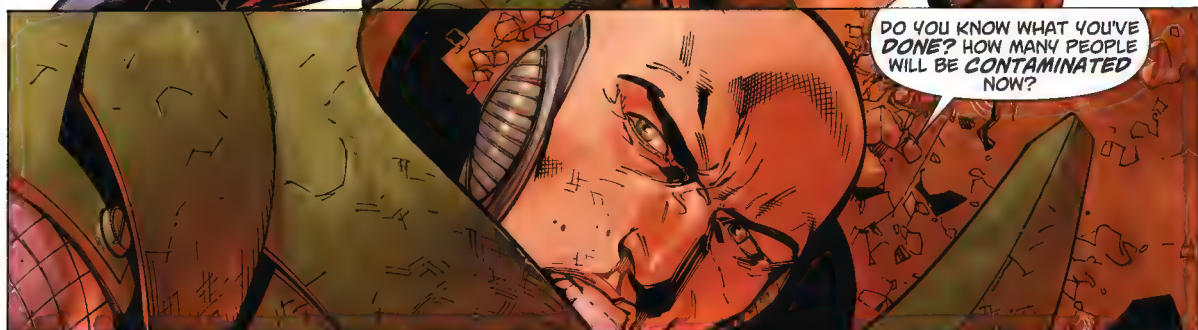




HAVE TO GET OUT
OF THIS LIGHT AND
AWAY FROM LUTHOR
TO STAND A CHANCE!

HGNN!

BAMM



DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'VE
DONE? HOW MANY PEOPLE
WILL BE CONTAMINATED
NOW?

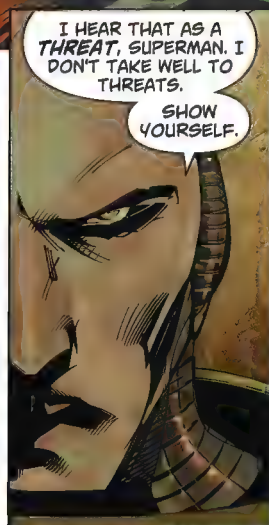


YOU
HARM EVEN
WHEN YOU MEAN
TO HELP. THAT'S
WHY YOU'RE A
DANGER.



THEY WILL
BE QUARANTINED
AND THEN CURED,
LUTHOR.

I'LL
MAKE SURE
OF THAT.



I HEAR THAT AS A
THREAT, SUPERMAN. I
DON'T TAKE WELL TO
THREATS.
SHOW
YOURSELF.



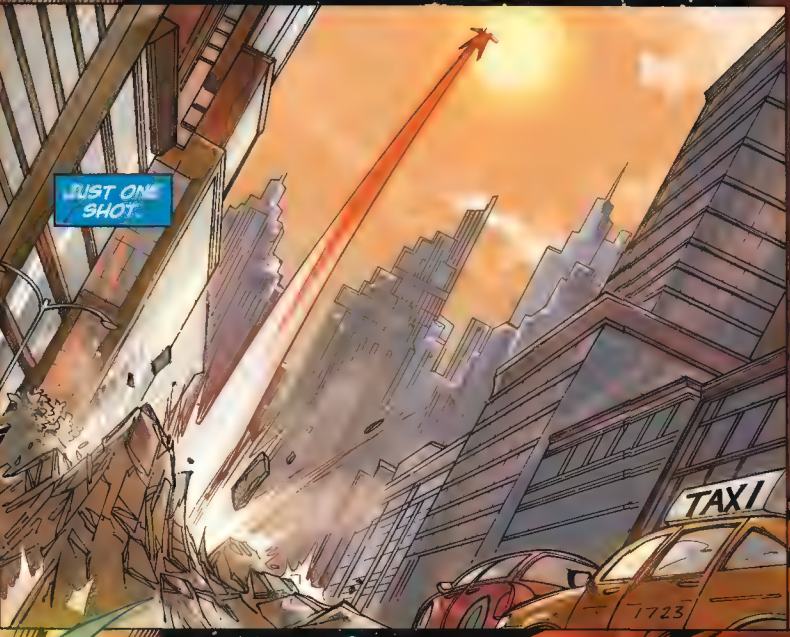
I'M
RIGHT IN
FRONT OF
YOU.



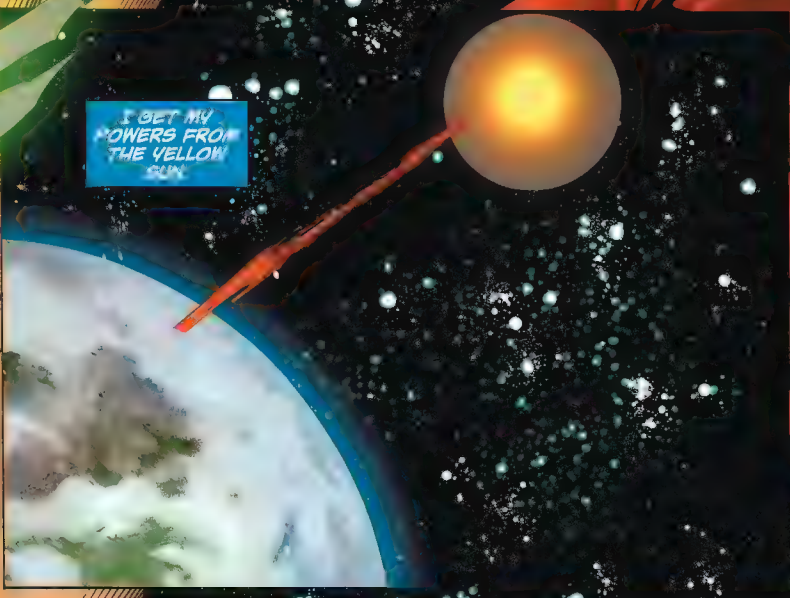


I'LL NEED A LITTLE HELP.

JUST ONE SHOT.



I GET MY POWERS FROM THE YELLOW SUN.



THEY SAY WHAT DOESN'T KILL YOU MAKES YOU STRONGER.

BUT IF THIS HAIL MARY DOESN'T MAKE ME STRONGER.

IT WILL KILL ME.

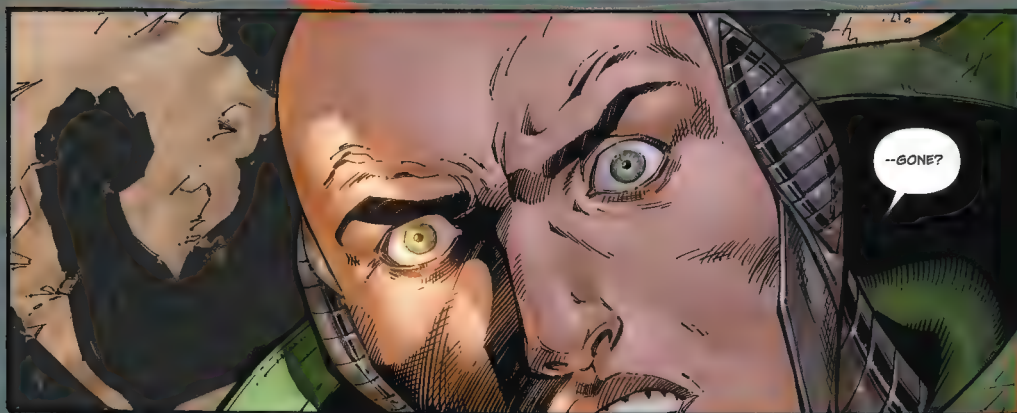
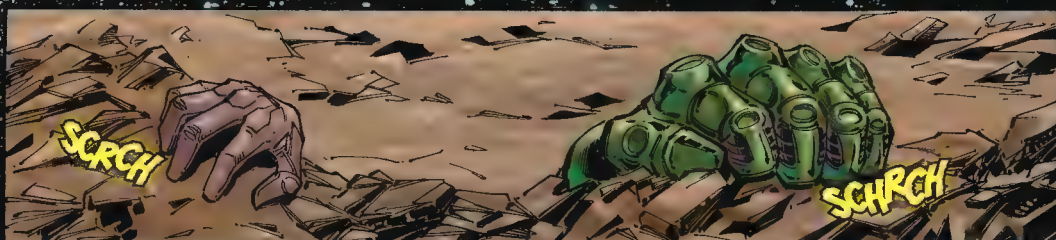


BUT I FEEL IT RIGHT AWAY.

MY STRENGTH RETURNING.

MY HEAD CLEARING.

IT WORKED!





FATHOM



DIDJA SEE THAT?

SARGE, WHO DO WE SHOOT?

UNBELIEVABLE!

HE CAME RIGHT OUT OF THIN AIR!

THAT'S LEX LUTHOR, ISN'T IT?

HOLD YOUR FIRE!



DID SUPERMAN JUST KILL LEX LUTHOR?

NO, HE'S MOVING! WHAT DO WE DO?



DON'T MAKE HIM MAD.

WHO'S GOING TO ARREST HIM?

WHO, SUPERMAN OR LEX?



BOTH!

TOO LATE NOW!

GET AN AMBULANCE FOR MR. LUTHOR.

I'M SURE WE'LL GET THE FULL STORY FROM HIM WHEN HE COMES TO.

DO WE ARREST HIM? HE'S FREAKIN' LEX LUTHOR!

OFFICERS, ARREST HIM. WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?!

WHO'RE YOU, LADY?

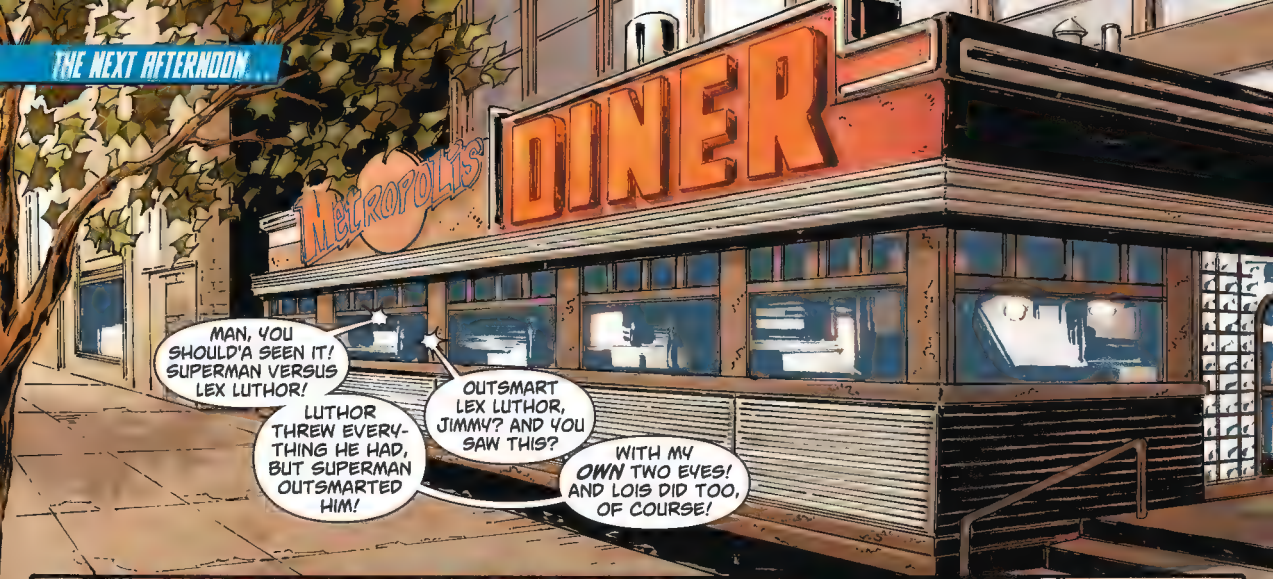
LOIS LANE, FROM THE DAILY PLANET.

MR. LUTHOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SPREADING THE CONTAGION.

I'M HER WITNESS, OFFICER! LUTHOR TRIED TO KILL SUPERMAN, TOO!

AND YOU ARE?

HE'S JIMMY OLSEN, MY ASSISTANT.

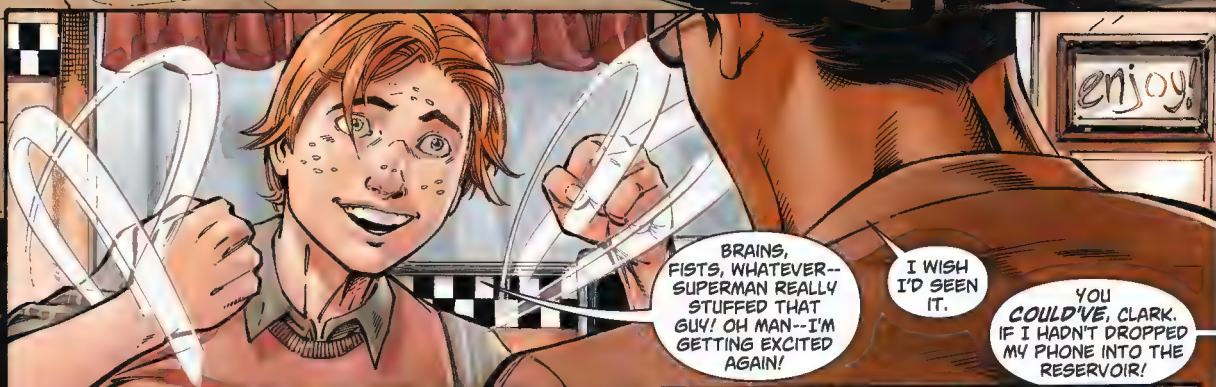


MAN, YOU SHOULD'VE SEEN IT! SUPERMAN VERSUS LEX LUTHOR!

LUTHOR THREW EVERYTHING HE HAD, BUT SUPERMAN OUTSMARTED HIM!

OUTSMART LEX LUTHOR, JIMMY? AND YOU SAW THIS?

WITH MY OWN TWO EYES! AND LOIS DID TOO, OF COURSE!



BRAINS, FISTS, WHATEVER--SUPERMAN REALLY STUFFED THAT GUY! OH MAN--I'M GETTING EXCITED AGAIN!

I WISH I'D SEEN IT.

YOU COULD'VE, CLARK. IF I HADN'T DROPPED MY PHONE INTO THE RESERVOIR!



LOIS! I HEARD ABOUT YOUR HEROICS FROM JIMMY!



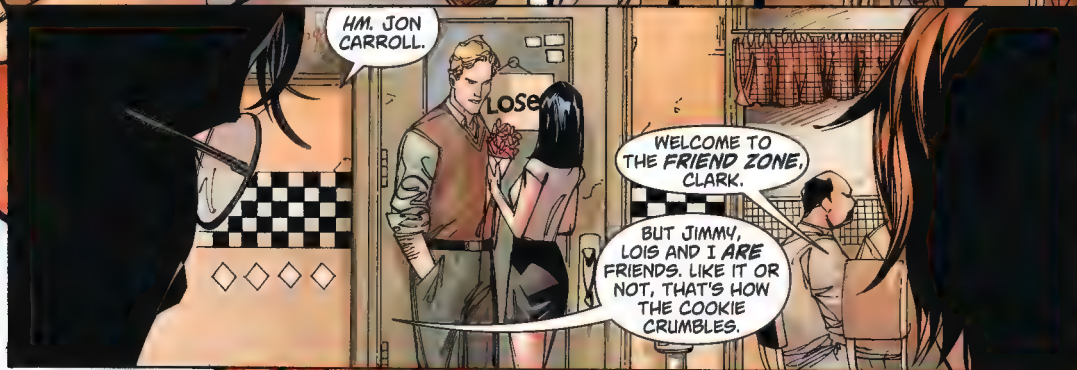
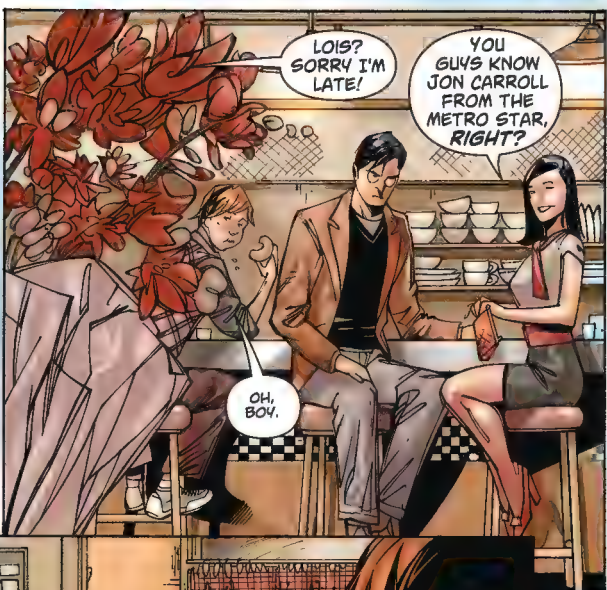
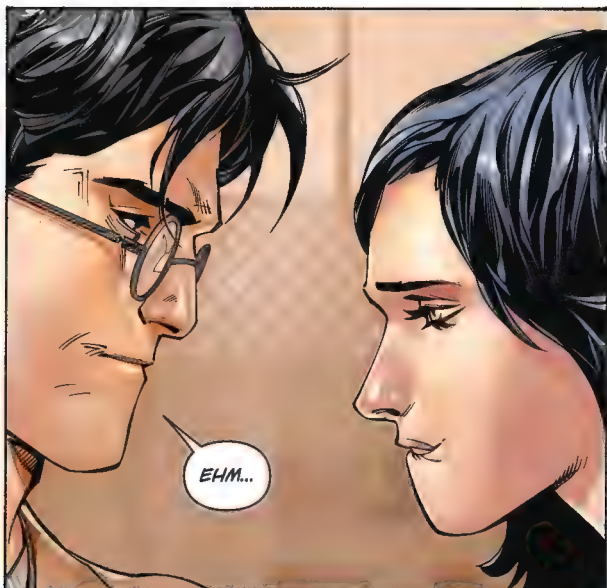
I WOULDN'T CALL LOSING PROOF THAT LEX LUTHOR IS A CRIMINAL MASTERMIND HEROICS.

YES, I HEARD ABOUT THAT, TOO.



I FOUND THIS. IT WASHED UP ON THE RIVER SHORE THIS MORNING. BELONGS TO--

THAT'S MINE! HOW'D YOU--?!



"WELL, YOU'RE ONLY HUMAN, CLARK. IT'S OKAY TO HOPE."

**NEXT ISSUE:
MINDWAR!**



KRYPTON, MANY YEARS AGO.

THE SCIENCE COUNCIL HALL.

SECURITY CADET LARA LOR-VAN, A SWORN MEMBER OF KRYPTON'S ELITE MILITARY ACADEMY, HAS JUST WATCHED HER SUPREME COMMANDING OFFICER ASSASSINATE THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE, ONE OF KRYPTON'S LEADING SCIENTIFIC MINDS.

WITH THE CADET'S OWN WEAPON.

WHAT
COUNTLESS
OTHERS SHOULD
HAVE DONE
BEFORE ME!

OOF!

WHAT
HAVE YOU
DONE?!

THE WORLD OF KRYPTON PART 2: DISSENSION

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WHY?!

INTROSPECTION.



AND WEAKNESS!

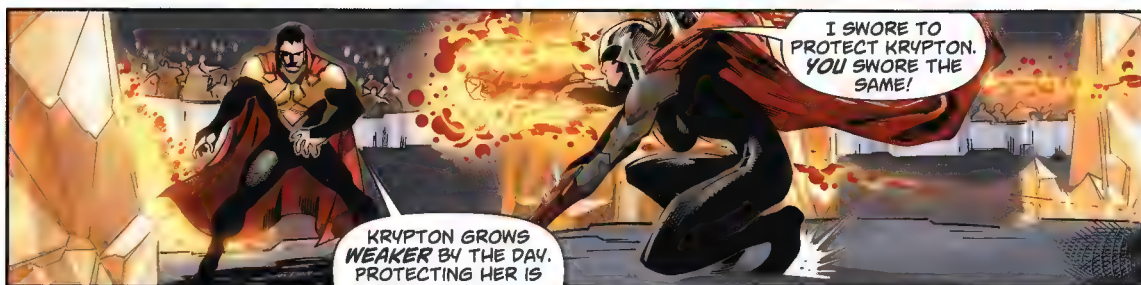


I DON'T UNDERSTAND.

KRYPTON WILL RISE AGAIN TO ITS FORMER GLORY--BUT NOT WHILE ALL ITS TIME IS SPENT IN PURSUIT OF SELF-SATISFACTION AND SCIENTIFIC NAVEL-GAZING.

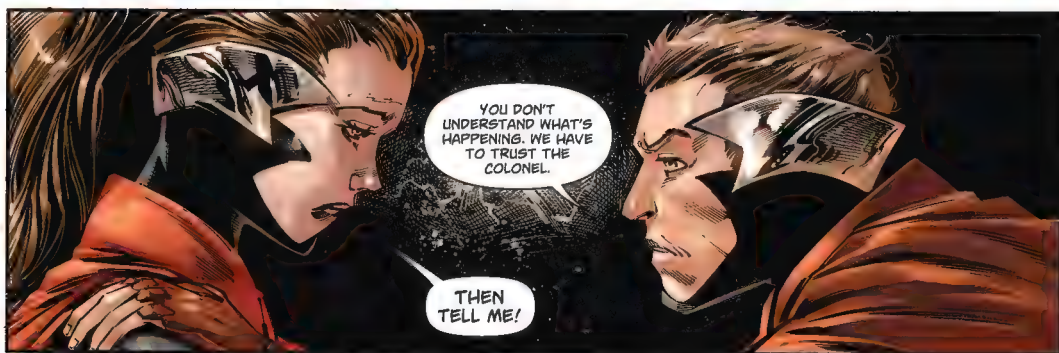


NGH!




I SWORE TO PROTECT KRYPTON. YOU SWORE THE SAME!

KRYPTON GROWS WEAKER BY THE DAY. PROTECTING HER IS EXACTLY WHAT I AM TRYING TO DO.





A dramatic comic book illustration of Lara Lor-Van, a woman with long, flowing brown hair, wearing a red suit with a cape and a white helmet. She is flying through the air, her right arm extended forward, holding a large, glowing orange and yellow fist. The background shows a cityscape with buildings and a large, circular opening in the ground, from which several smaller figures are falling. The scene is filled with energy and action, with bright yellow and orange light effects.

LARA LOR-VAN. THE LONE
VOICE OF DISSENT AMID
A FULL-SCALE MILITARY
COUP. IT'S NOT A FIGHT
SHE EVEN UNDERSTANDS.

WHAT SHE KNOWS IS A DEEP
LOVE OF KRYPTON. WHAT SHE FEELS
IS A DEEP SENSE OF BETRAYAL.

WHILE THE GRAVITY REGULATOR
INSTALLED IN ALL MILITARY
GAUNTLETS IS NO MATCH FOR
KRYPTON'S IMMENSE GRAVITATIONAL
PULL, IT ALLOWS FOR JUST ENOUGH
LIFT TO MAKE A QUICK ESCAPE.

SHE IS DEFYING MORE THAN
THE LAWS OF NATURE. SHE'S
DEFYING HER DUTY, HER
HONOR AND THE LOYALTY TO
HER BROTHERS AND SISTERS
IN THE MILITARY ACADEMY.

WHO CAN SHE
TRUST NOW?
HER ENEMIES?

MEANWHILE

BACK IN THE UNDERWATER RUINS OF ANCIENT KAN.

MAYBE THE ENEMY
OF HER ENEMY IS
ACTUALLY HER
FRIEND.

AN ARMED
ESCORT? THAT'S
A BIT MUCH, DON'T
YOU THINK?

TELL
THE COLONEL
WE'VE FOUND
JOR-EL.

NEUTRALIZATION
IMMINENT.

NEETH
JOR-EL
STRIKES BACK!

THE ACTION CONTINUES...

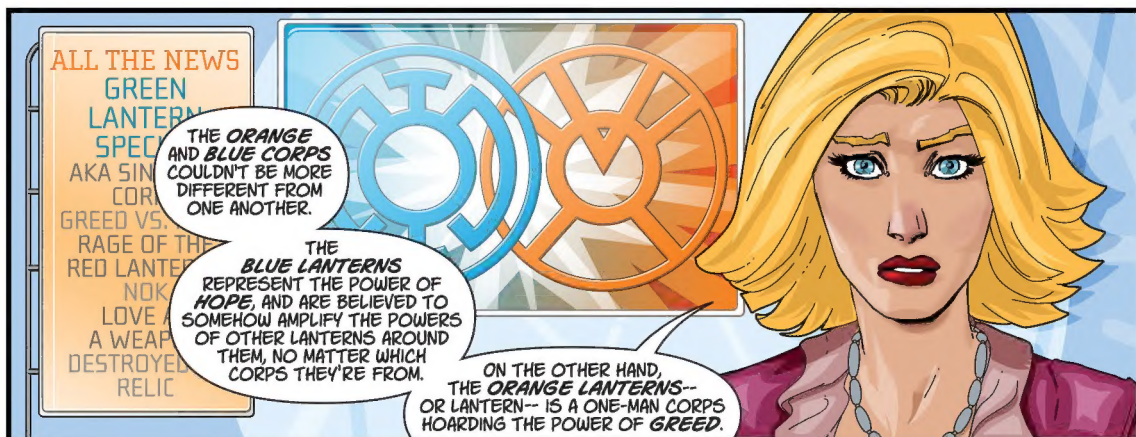
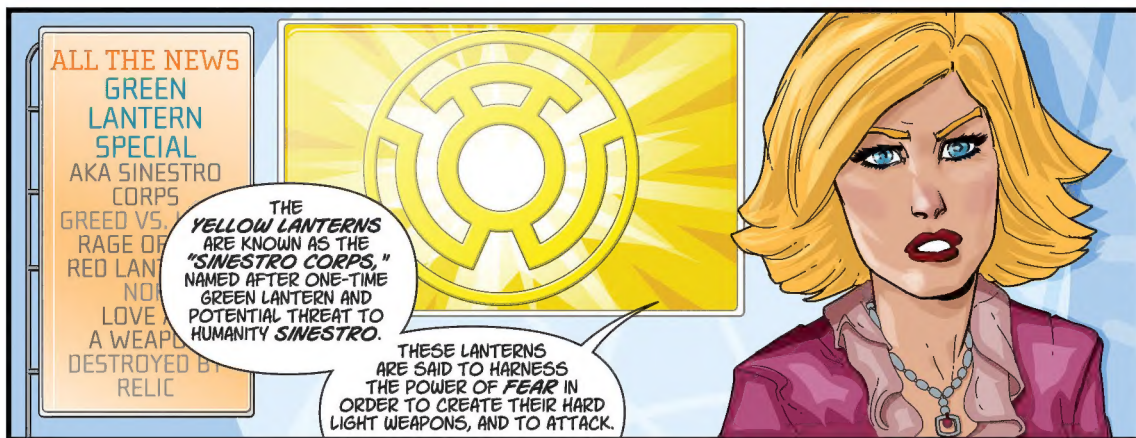
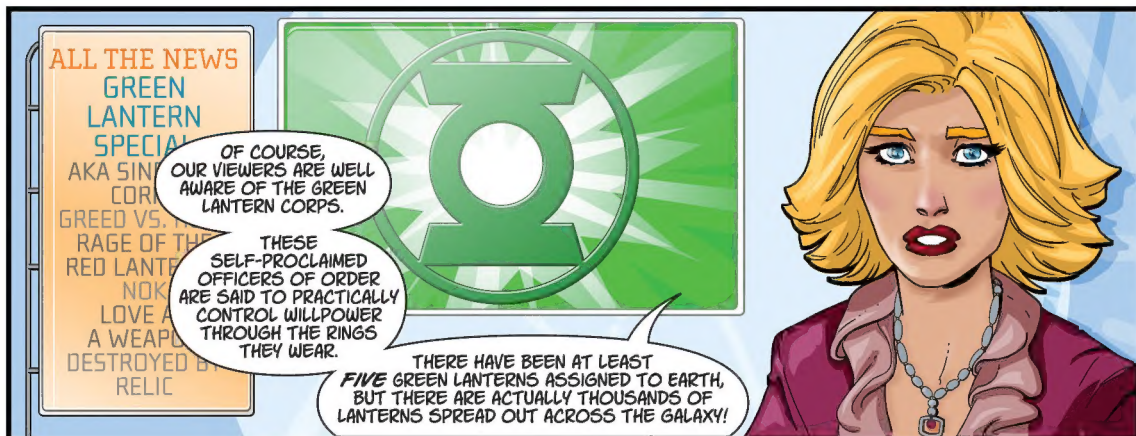
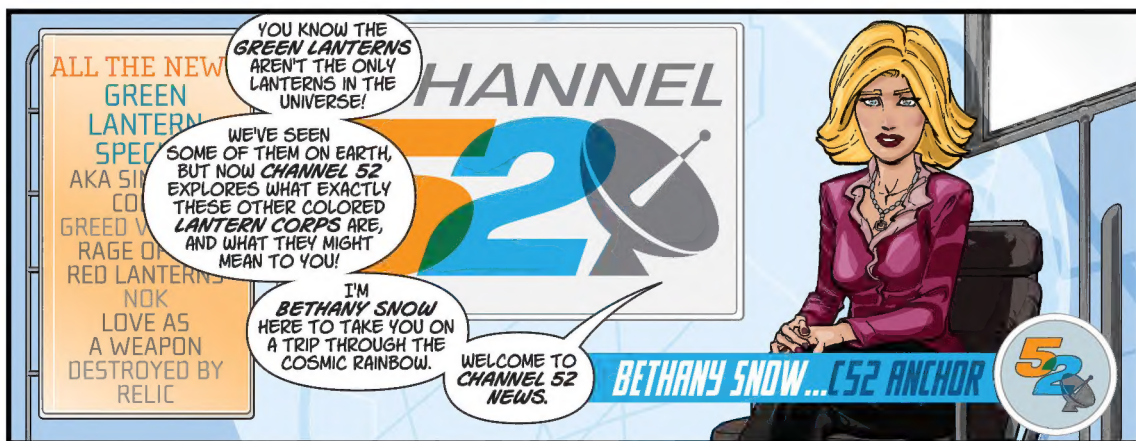
NEXT WEEK: In SUPERBOY #21
Dr. Psycho and Krypto help the
Teen of Steel fight the forces of
H.I.V.E....and Decay!



TWO WEEKS: Kara leaves
Earth... forever?! Really.
Check out **SUPERGIRL #21!**



THREE WEEKS: In SUPERMAN #21
the PSI WAR erupts as Hector Hammond
strikes back against the the growing
menace of H.I.V.E.!!



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PERHAPS THE
LEAST SAVORY OF ALL
THE DIFFERENT GROUPS IS
THE **RED LANTERN
CORPS!**

WIELDING THE
POWER OF **RAGE**,
THESE LANTERNS NOT
ONLY USE THEIR
POWER RINGS, BUT ARE
SAID TO BE ABLE TO
REGURGITATE THEIR
IRRITATED BLOOD AS
A WEAPON!

ODDLY, THIS
GROUP ALSO COUNTS A
SUPER-POWERED **CAT** AMONG
ITS MOST FEARED SOLDIERS.

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WIELDING THE LIGHT OF
COMPASSION, THE **INDIGO
CORPS** IS STILL MOSTLY A
MYSTERY.

THIS IS FURTHERED BY
THE FACT THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE
CORPS ARE ACTUALLY A TRIBE, AND THEY
SPEAK AN INCOMPREHENSIBLE LANGUAGE.

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AND FINALLY WE
HAVE THE UNIVERSAL
POWER OF **LOVE!**

THE **STAR SAPPHIRES**
HAVE WHAT SEEMS TO BE AN
ALL-FEMALE ROSTER, WHICH DEALS
WITH THE VIOLET-LIT PORTION OF
THE EMOTIONAL SPECTRUM!

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THERE IS STILL
MUCH MORE TO BE
DISCOVERED ABOUT
THESE DIFFERENT
GROUPS, BUT ONE
THING IS FOR
SURE...

...THERE IS A BALANCE TO
THEIR EXISTENCE IN THE UNIVERSE,
AND ONE MUST WONDER WHAT WOULD
HAPPEN IF A NEW THREAT WERE TO
DISTURB THIS UNIVERSAL ORDER IN
SOME PERMANENT WAY!

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